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1           WHEREAS, current water management and delivery  
2 responsibilities in Santa Fe are divided among many local,  
3 state and federal agencies and other political subdivisions;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, a regional water authority created for the  
6 mission of water resource management and delivery with powers  
7 vested in it to determine water rights issues, water management  
8 decisions and utility functions for delivery of wet water would  
9 be more efficient and politically accountable for resolving  
10 currently insurmountable issues; and

11           WHEREAS, other metropolitan areas have established  
12 regional water authorities to coordinate water resource  
13 management and delivery functions; and

14           WHEREAS, for example, the Denver water board provides  
15 water to the metropolitan Denver area, thereby, minimizing  
16 inter-jurisdictional conflict that can hamper the mission of  
17 water management agencies;

18           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico legislative council be  
20 requested to direct the appropriate committee to evaluate the  
21 feasibility of creating a regional water authority for the  
22 Santa Fe area to supersede all other state and local  
23 authorities over water; and

24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
25 transmitted to the members of the New Mexico legislative council.